

October 7, 1954

Bessie Ellen Routh

Funeral services for Bessie Ellen Routh were held September 20, 1954, at the Dampier-Baird Chapel in St. Paul, Minn. Interment was at Sunset Memorial Park in St. Paul.

Bessie Ellen Lorenz was born May 16, 1888, at Charles City, Iowa, living there until 1905, when she moved with her parents to Clark, S. D. In 1908 she was united in marriage to LeRoy W. Routh and to this union nine children were born. At an early age she was baptized into the Methodist faith and has remained a true and devoted christian. On Sept. 4, 1954, she suffered a stroke and entered Bethesda hospital in St. Paul, where she passed away Sept. 16, at the age of 66 years and 4 months. She was a very kind and devoted mother, always ready to lend a helping hand to her children, friends and neighbors.

She is survived by her three daughters, Mrs. Raymond (Fern) Unten, Mrs. Earl (Dorothy) Millette, Mrs. George (Alma) Crapson, all of St. Paul, Minn.; five sons, Emmett of Seiad Valley, Calif., Kenneth of St. Paul, Minn., Arthur of Bakersfield, Calif., Cecil of Dallas, S. D., and Roger in the army at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. An infant son preceded her in death.

She leaves to mourn her passing three brothers, J. V. Long, Hillsboro, Ore., Eugene Lorenz, Clark, S. D., a twin brother, Benjamin Lorenz, San Diego, Calif.; and one sister, Cora Belle Lorenz of Washington, D. C. Also 13 grandchildren and a host of friends and relatives.